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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In regard to the above-referenced National Phase application, Applicants submit the following preliminary amendments and remarks to be respectively entered and considered prior to examination.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the specification as follows:

Please insert the following paragraph on page 1, line 4:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority to, and is a National Phase filing of, PCT Application Serial No. PCT/EP00/07799, filed August 10, 2000, which claims priority to German Patent Application No. 19938354.5 filed August 13, 1999.

REMARKS

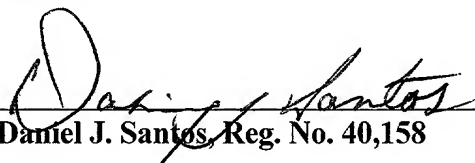
Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, priority has been designated for this national phase application. It is believed that the foregoing amendments and additions add no new matter to the present application.

Favorable action in regard to the application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted ,

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